



Animal Care Facilities Act

Established in 1992, Animal Care Facilities Act (ACFA), housed within the Missouri Department of Agriculture, assures that licensed facilities meet minimum standards of care for cats and dogs. The ACFA program continues to meet objectives that improve conditions for companion animals and builds integrity in facilities that are licensed by the program.

Under ACFA, facilities and breeders entering dogs and cats into commerce on a regular basis are required to hold a professional license, consent to inspections and comply with requirements of care outlined within the act.

ACFA has successfully licensed over 2,700 facilities to assure adequate care and treatment of animals. The ACFA program has played a key role in helping to build the integrity of Missouri's companion animal industry and improve the conditions under which animals are raised and live.



Questions & Answers

Q Why should I purchase from a Blue Ribbon Kennel?

A Purchasing an animal from a Blue Ribbon Kennel will assure you that you will receive a pet and companion from a facility that has exceeded industry standards when it comes to the care and welfare of animals. Blue Ribbon Kennels have passed a comprehensive inspection ensuring a high quality pet.

Q What makes a Blue Ribbon Kennel different?

A Blue Ribbon puppies are currently represented by 1% of all inspected kennels across Missouri. These kennels are able to supply you with a quality, healthy Blue Ribbon puppy that will soon become another member of your family.

Q What do I get when I purchase a Blue Ribbon puppy?

A Blue Ribbon Kennels provide you with a Certified Blue Ribbon document which includes the history of your new pet including all medical information and shot records. In addition, Blue Ribbon puppies have permanent identification through a microchip -- a tracking number unique to your new pet that is traceable by most kennels, veterinarians and shelters across the state. All Blue Ribbon puppies come with a Blue Ribbon collar identifying them as certified, healthy animals.



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Blue Ribbon Kennel Program

The Blue Ribbon Kennel Program is a new premium puppy program designed to ensure that prospective animal owners are given the opportunity to readily identify and be assured that the puppies they purchase were under the proper care of the most responsible pet breeders across the state.

Blue Ribbon Kennels are held to a higher standard than any other kennel across the state of Missouri. These kennels demonstrate a commitment to providing and improving their animal care knowledge through formal training and educational seminars.

Blue Ribbon Kennels provide animals that are well-cared for and healthy companions and have been certified by the Missouri Department of Agriculture's Animal Care Facilities Act (ACFA) program. Missouri is the first state to implement a quality assurance program dedicated to providing healthy, happy animals to families across Missouri and the United States.

Blue Ribbon Kennels can offer you high quality puppies ready to join your family.



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